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Application No. 09/831,327  
Response Under 37 CFR 1.116  
Expedited Procedure  
Examining Group 1775  
Paper dated August 6, 2003  
Reply to Final Office Action of April 9, 2003  
Attorney Docket No. 1217-010737

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Application No. : 09/831,327 ✓  
Applicants : Hachirou Kushida et al. ✓  
Filed : May 7, 2001 ✓  
Title : Decorative Item and Process for Producing the Same ✓  
Group Art Unit : 1775 ✓  
Examiner : Archene A. Turner ✓

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

Applicants request a one-month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action. The outstanding Action was mailed on April 9, 2003, and the period for response was three months, making the response due on July 9, 2003. Therefore, the response is due on August 9, 2003 with a one-month extension of time.

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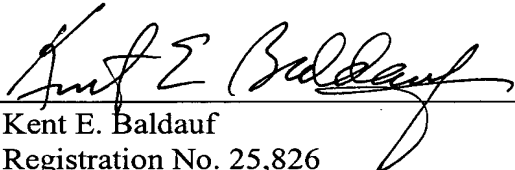
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A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the Extension fee. A response to the outstanding Action is filed concurrently herewith.

The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. Please refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. The original and two copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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